

The Director of Central Intelligence

Washington, D.C. 20505

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The Honorable Howard H. Baker
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Howard,

This is to confirm the invitation to you to sit on the dais at the Saturday, February 28, Donovan Award dinner at the Waldorf-Astoria in New York.

Margaret Thatcher is to receive the Donovan Award and deliver a major speech on East-West relations.

She studied the past recipients quite carefully and expressed special admiration for Senator Dirksen, whose many qualifications included his work, while in the House, with Bill Donovan in managing the special appropriations needs of OSS. She went on to express special interest in you and your relationship with Ev Dirksen.

So, even though realizing you'd probably see the Prime Minister in Washington, I thought you and Joy might like to come up to New York for this occasion.

Yours,


William J. Casey